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At the Court at St. James's, April 28. 1709.

PRESENT,

The Queen's moſt Excellent Majeſty in Council.

HER Majeſty was this Day pleaſed to Order, That the Right Honourable the Lord High-Admiral of Great Britain do forthwith cauſe an additional Inſtruction to be ſent to the Commanders of Her Majeſty's Men of War and Privateers, for ſtopping all Neutral Ships and Veſſels whatſoever that ſhall be loaden with Corn, and bound to France, or the Enemies Country, and to bring them into ſome of Her Majeſty's Ports, until Her Majeſty's Pleaſure be further known therein.

Chriſ. Muſgrave.

By the QUEEN,

A PROCLAMATION.

ANNE R.

WHereas *Our Royal Father, King* James *the Second, did by his Letters Patents under the Great Seal of* England, *bearing Date the Twentieth Day of* July, *in the Fourth Year of his Reign, Grant to certain Perſons therein named, the Liberty of Holding a Fair, which has been commonly called* May-Fair, *in* Great Brookfield *in the Pariſh of* St. Martins in the Fields *in the County of* Middleſex, *for the Buying and Selling of all Sorts of Goods and Merchandizes: And whereas We have been informed, by ſeveral Preſentments made by the Grand Jury of Our County of* Middleſex, *That the Original Deſign in granting ſuch Liberty has been Perverted, and inſtead of erecting Stalls and Sheds for the Sale of Goods and Merchandize, ſeveral Booths have been conſtantly Built and Made uſe of, during all the time of holding the ſaid Fair, for entertaining Looſe, Idle, Diſorderly People, with Plays, Interludes, and Puppet-Shows, Gaming, and other Diſorderly Paſtimes, to the great Encouragement of all manner of Vice and Debauchery, inſomuch that divers Murders, Felonies, Riots, Tumults, and Diſorders, have frequently been Committed, to the Hindrance and Obſtruction of all Trade and Traffick; And We being deſirous, as much as in Us lies, to prevent the like Inconveniencies and Miſchiefs for the future, and having been Supplicated hereunto by divers of Our loving Subjects, Juſtices of the Peace, and others, inhabiting in Our City of* Weſtminſter, *and County of* Middleſex, *have thought fit, by and with the Advice of Our Privy-Council, to iſſue forth this Our Royal Proclamation, hereby ſtrictly enjoining the Proprietors and Owners of the ſaid Fair, That they do not permit or ſuffer any Booths to be erected, or Stalls to be made uſe of, during ſuch Time as the ſaid Fair ſhall be holden, for any Plays, Shows, Gaming, Muſick-Meetings, or other diſorderly Aſſemblies. And we ſtrictly Charge and Command all Our Subjects not to Reſort to the ſaid Fair for any ſuch unlawful Purpoſes; and all Magiſtrates and other Officers are hereby required to uſe their utmoſt Endeavours for the Preventing and Suppreſſing all Riotous Aſſemblies, and tumultuous Meetings there, on pain of Our higheſt Diſpleaſure, and incurring ſuch Puniſhment as the Laws may juſtly Inflict for all ſuch Offences.*

Given at Our Court at St. *James's*, this Twenty eighth Day of *April*, 1708. In the Eighth Year of Our Reign.

God ſave the QUEEN.

Eſtremos, April 18. *N. S.* On the 6th Inſtant the Earl of Galway arrived here, and viſited the Magazines, which were well furniſhed with all manner of Proviſions. Beſides a quantity of Bisket for 25 Days, there is a Store of Bread ſufficient for ſubſiſting the Troops for two Months. The Army in the Service of the Crown of Portugal will conſiſt of 14000 Foot and 4000 Horſe. Advices from the Enemy ſay, their Forces amount to 14 Regiments of Horſe, and 24 Battalions. Upon advice that the Marquis de Bay was aſſembling Troops on the Frontiers, his Excellency the Earl of Galway immediately haſtened to Villa Viçoſa, to give the neceſſary Orders to oppoſe his Deſigns.

Hague, May 7. *N. S.* The States of Holland are ſummoned to meet upon an extraordinary occaſion. We hear from the Frontiers, that the Enemy having drawn out of their Garriſons 20000 Men near Tournay, with a deſign, as was ſuppoſed, to intercept the great Convoy on its March towards Liſle, retired without making any attempt; and that the Convoy was advanced as far as Courtray and Menin.

Dublin-Caſtle, April 21. This Day his Excellency the Earl of Wharton, Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland, landed at Rings-End about ſix in the Morning. Upon his Excellency's Arrival in the Bay, three great Guns were fired from Rings-End, to give notice of the Yachts appearing, which were immediately anſwered by a like number of Guns from this Caſtle. At his Excellency's landing, nine Guns at Rings-End were diſcharged, and the Rt. Hon. the Lord Viſcount Bleſſington, Sir Charles Feilding, Kt. Lieutenant-General Ingoldsby, and Thomas Keightly, Eſq; being Members of the Privy-Council, by appointment of the Lords-Juſtices and Council, waited on his Excellency, to congratulate his ſafe Arrival. At the ſame time his Excellency was met upon the Strand by great numbers of the Nobility and Gentry in their Coaches. The Sheriffs of the City, with two Troops of Horſe of the Militia, having alſo met his Excellency, they marched on each ſide of his Coach bare-headed, and were accompanied by two Troops of the Regiment of Horſe commanded by Lieutenant-General Langſton, and the State-Trumpets and Kettle-Drums. On his Excellency's paſſing through the Suburbs, a Battery of Guns, which were planted on a riſing Ground for that purpoſe, were diſcharged. The Streets, from the firſt Entrance of the Suburbs, being lined on each ſide by the Militia of the City of Dublin, and the Regiments of Lieutenant-General Tidcomb, and the Lord Deloraine, as far as to the Caſtle. In his Excellency's Paſſage to the Council-Chamber, the Lord Mayor, attended by the Recorder and Aldermen in their Formalities, waited on his Excellency, to congratulate his ſafe Arrival, and begged leave to wait on his Excellency at a more convenient time. From thence his Excellency proceeded to the Council-Chamber, where, at his alighting from his Coach, he was received by Lieutenant-General Ingoldsby, and attended by the King and Herald at Arms, Serjeants at Arms, and other Officers of State. His Excellency's Commiſſion being read, and the uſual Oaths adminiſtred, the Guns at the Caſtle were fired. From the Council-Chamber his Excellency proceeded to the Caſtle, attended by the Privy-Council, with the Guard of Battel-Axes, Officers of State, and the Nobility and Gentry in their Coaches. After his Excellency's Entry into the Caſtle the Guns were fired three Rounds, every Round being anſwered by a Valley of the two Regiments of Foot. When his Excellency received the Compliments of the Nobility and Gentry, his Grace the Archbiſhop of Dublin moved his Excellency in the behalf of the French Proteſtant Clergy, for leave to wait on his Excellency, and to deſire his Excellency's Protection. The ſame time the Right Reverend

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